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| *** | NO AMPLIFICATION RESULTS |
| ?? | QUESTIONED OR POSSIBLE |
| @ | AT |
| A, x-, α | ANTI- |
| ACWA, ACA | ASSISTANT COMMONWEALTH ATTORNEY |
| ADD'L | ADDITIONAL |
| ADH/S, S/ADH | SEALED WITH ADHESIVE |
| ALS | ALTERNATE LIGHT SOURCE |
| ALU | ALUQUANT |
| AMP | AMPLIFICATION |
| ANC | AMPLIFICATION NEGATIVE CONTROL |
| ANO, AR, A/R | ANORECTAL |
| AP, ACP | ACID PHOSPHATASE TEST |
| APPROX, APP, ~, APPT | APPROXIMATELY, APPARENT |
| ART | ARTIFACT |
| B, BR, BRN | BROWN |
| B/T, B/W | BETWEEN |
| BACT | BACTERIA |
| BB, BROMO | BROMOPHENOL BLUE |
| BBHSK, BBHK | BLOOD OR BUCCAL AND HAIR SAMPLES KIT |
| BHS KIT, BHSK, BHKIT | BLOOD AND HAIR SAMPLES KIT |
| BLD | BLOOD |
| BOTAN | BOTANICAL |
| BP | BROWN PAPER |
| BPB | BROWN PAPER BAG |
| BPWR, BPWRAP, BPW, BPWP | BROWN PAPER WRAP |
| BT | BLEED THROUGH |
| BTT | BROWN TOP TUBE |
| — C | WITH, CONTAINING – ALSO SEE “WITH” |
| CAL | CALIBRATORS |
| CB, CBBX, CBX, CBB | CARDBOARD BOX |
| CBSM | CARDBOARD SLIDE MAILER |
| CELL. MAT., CELL MAT'L | CELLULAR MATERIAL |
| CL | CLEAR |
| CLPB | CLEAR PLASTIC BAG |
| COLL | COLLECTION, COLLECTED |
| CONT | CONTAINER |
| CONT #, C# | CONTAINER (NUMBER) |
| CONT, CONT'G, © | CONTAINING |
| CONT'D | CONTINUED |
| CONV | CONVENIENCE |
| CS | CRIMESCOPE |
| CSF | CSFIPO |
| CT | COURT |
| CTRL, CTL | CONTROL |
| CTS, KPICS, X-MAS TREE STAIN | CHRISTMAS TREE STAIN (KERNECHTROT PICROINDIGOCARMINE STAIN) |

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| CWA, CA | COMMONWEALTH ATTORNEY |
| DB | DATABANK |
| D13 | D13S317 |
| D16 | D16S539 |
| D5 | D5S818 |
| D7 | D7S820 |
| DC, DE, DCE | DEBRIS COLLECTION ENVELOPE |
| DD | DRIED DOWN |
| DDOC, →SC, →DNA CARD | DRIED DOWN ON (STAIN) CARD |
| DFS TS | DFS TAPE SEALED |
| DH ₂ O | DISTILLED WATER |
| DILN, DIL | DILUTION |
| DNA | DEOXYRIBONUCLEIC ACID |
| E | ETHANOL |
| E-CELL, NS, ♀, -E | EPITHELIAL CELL OR NON-SPERM FRACTION |
| ELIM, E | ELIMINATION |
| ELS | EVIDENCE LABEL SEALED |
| ENV | ENVELOPE |
| EPI | EPITHELIAL CELLS |
| ETS | EVIDENCE TAPE SEALED |
| ETOH | ETHANOL |
| EVID, EV | EVIDENCE |
| EXTE, EXTR, EXTL | EXTERIOR, EXTERNAL |
| EXT, EXTR | EXTRACT |
| FAB SEP, FABRIC SPE, FABRIC SEP, FS, F/S | FABRIC SEPARATION |
| FLUOR, FL, F*, F | FLUORESCENCE |
| FNC, FC | FINGERNAIL CLIPPINGS |
| FNS | FINGERNAIL SCRAPINGS |
| FOR | FOREIGN |
| FRAC, FXN | FRACTION |
| FRB, RBE, RBNS, NSRB, RB♀ | EPITHELIAL CELL (NON-SPERM) REAGENT BLANK |
| FS LAB | FORENSIC SCIENCE LABORATORY |
| FT | FAINT |
| G/S, GUMS, S/GUM, | GUM SEALED |
| GE, GLAS, GLS, GL ENV | GLASSINE ENVELOPE |
| GTT | GREEN TOP TUBE |
| GYTT | GRAY TOP TUBE |
| H/F, HF, HS/FS | HAIRS/FIBERS |
| H/S | HEAT SEALED |
| HDS, H | HEADS |
| HH | HEAD HAIR |
| HOSP | HOSPITAL |
| HPF, HPV | HIGH POWER FIELD (VIEW) |
| HPS, HPSW | HIGH POWER SWEEP |
| HRS | HOURS |
| HUM | HUMAN |
| I#, (#) | ITEM # |
| I, INIT | INITIALED |
| I, INT (RE: SPERM SEARCH) | INTACT (RE: SPERM SEARCH) |
| ICS | INSUFFICIENT FOR FURTHER CONVENTIONAL SEROLOGICAL TESTING |

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| ILS | INTERNAL LANE STANDARD |
| IM | IMMEDIATE MODERATE |
| INC | INCONCLUSIVE |
| INT | INTERIOR |
| IQ | DNA IQ |
| IQD | DNA IQ DIFFERENTIAL |
| IQH | DNA IQ HAIR |
| IS, SI | IMMEDIATE STRONG OR STRONG IMMEDIATE |
| IW | IMMEDIATE WEAK |
| K, KN | KNOWN |
| KLC | KIT LABEL CLOSED |
| K HUM BLOOD | KNOWN HUMAN BLOOD |
| L | LABEL |
| L, AL, L | (ALLELIC) LADDER |
| L/LA, LLA | LIPS/LIP AREA |
| LB | LOADING BUFFER |
| LG | LARGE |
| LL | LUMALITE |
| LM | LEFT MESSAGE |
| LPF, LPV | LOW POWER FIELD (VIEW) |
| LPS, LPSW | LOW POWER SWEEP |
| LT | LIGHT |
| L, LFT, L | LEFT |
| LTT | LAVENDER TOP TUBE |
| LVM | LEFT VOICE MAIL |
| M | MICROCON |
| M, “ ” | MARKED (LABELED) |
| MAN, M | MANILA |
| ME, MENV | MANILA ENVELOPE |
| MAT, MAT'L | MATERIAL |
| MED | MEDIUM |
| MEPERK, ME PERK | MEDICAL EXAMINER PHYSICAL EVIDENCE RECOVERY KIT |
| MIN | MINIMUM, MINIMAL |
| MOD | MODERATE |
| MRB, MCRB | MICROCON REAGENT BLANK – ALSO SEE “REAGENT BLANK MICROCON” |
| MT, MFG TAG | MANUFACTURER TAG |
| MFR | MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD |
| MSG | MESSAGE |
| N | NORMAL |
| N/A | NOT APPLICABLE |
| NAB, NO APP BLD | NO APPARENT BLOOD |
| NC | NO COLOR |
| NEATT, NE, NOT EX | NOT EXAMINED (AT THIS TIME) |
| NEB, NBO | NO EVIDENCE OF BLOOD, NO BLOOD OBSERVED |
| NEG, -, Ø, 0 | NEGATIVE |
| NFA, NO FA | NO FURTHER ANALYSIS |
| NFT | NO FURTHER TESTING |
| NR, NRXN | NO RESULT, NO REACTION |
| NSRB, NRB, NS RNC | NON-SPERM REAGENT BLANK |
| NS, NSP | NON-SPERM |
| NSO | NO SPERM OBSERVED |

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| NT | NOT TESTED |
| NVD | NO VISIBLE DNA |
| O | ORGANIC |
| OBS, OBSV | OBSERVED |
| OC | OMNICHROME LIGHT SOURCE |
| OCME | OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER |
| OD | ORGANIC DIFFERENTIAL |
| OE | ORANGE ENVELOPE |
| O/N | OVERNIGHT |
| OR | ORAL RINSE |
| OTCC | OPENED TO CHECK CONTENTS |
| P/B, PA/BUT, PB, PA/B | PERIANAL/BUTTOCKS |
| P/T, PH/TMB, P/TMB, PTMB | PHENOLPHTHALEIN TETRAMETHYLBENZIDINE TEST |
| PA | PUBIC AREA |
| PB, PLB | PLASTIC BAG |
| PC, PHC, PH COMB | PUBIC HAIR COMBINGS |
| PCR | POLYMERASE CHAIN REACTION |
| PEB, PL EVID BAG | PLASTIC EVIDENCE BAG |
| PERK, PRK | PHYSICAL EVIDENCE RECOVERY KIT |
| PH | PUBIC HAIR |
| PKG | PACKAGE |
| PL | PLASTIC |
| PM | PLANT MATERIAL |
| P, POS, POS CTRL, +, ⊕ | POSITIVE, POSITIVE CONTROL, GM9947A |
| POSS | POSSIBLE |
| PP16, PP16B | PowerPlex [®] 16 BIO |
| PTT, PTBT, PT | PURPLE TOP BLOOD TUBE |
| Q | QUESTIONED |
| QNS | QUANTITY NOT SUFFICIENT |
| RB, RNC | REAGENT BLANK |
| R-B, R/B, RED/BR, RB | RED-BROWN |
| RBB, BRB, RCB | BLOOD REAGENT BLANK |
| RBC | RED BLOOD CELLS |
| RBF | REAGENT BLANK FEMALE |
| RB-H | REAGENT BLANK - HAIR |
| RB-IQ | REAGENT BLANK – IQ METHOD |
| RBM | REAGENT BLANK MALE |
| RBMC, RBMIC, RBMICRO | REAGENT BLANK MICROCON |
| RBS, RBSP, SRB RB♂, SP RNC | SPERM REAGENT BLANK |
| RE | REGARDING |
| RS | RANDOM SAMPLE |
| RT, R, (R) | RIGHT |
| RTT | RED TOP TUBE |
| SP, S FRAC, SP FRAC, ♂, -S | SPERM FRACTION |
| S, SUS, SUSP, (S) | SUSPECT |
| S/ | SEALED |
| S+I, S/T+I, TS+I, T/S & I | SEALED AND INITIALED (WITH TAPE) |
| S/T+U | SEALED WITH TAPE AND UNINITIALED |
| SAN PAD, PAD | SANITARY PAD/NAPKIN |
| SC | STAIN CARD, SUBSTRATE CONTROL |
| SF, SEM FL | SEMINAL FLUID |

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| SL, S/T | SLIGHTLY |
| SM | SMALL |
| SM+ | SLOW MODERATE POSITIVE |
| SMR | SMEAR |
| SN, S#, SN# | SERIAL NUMBER |
| SP | SPERM |
| SPERK | SUSPECT PHYSICAL EVIDENCE RECOVERY KIT |
| SS | SLOW STRONG |
| SS, STC | STAPLE SEALED (CLOSED) |
| SS#, SSN | SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER |
| ST | STUTTER |
| STD, STND | STANDARD |
| STER | STERILE |
| STN'D | STAINED |
| STR | SHORT TANDEM REPEAT |
| STT, SST | SERUM SEPARATOR TUBE |
| SUB | SUBMISSION |
| SW (RE: AP RESULTS) | SLOW WEAK |
| Sw/, S/W, S/ | SEALED WITH |
| T/E, T/EG, T/G, TH/EG | THIGHS/EXTERNAL GENITALIA |
| TD | TRACKING DYE |
| TNTC | TOO NUMEROUS TO COUNT |
| TT | TEST TUBE |
| U | UNSEALED |
| UND, UNDPTS, UP, UDPS, UDP'S, UDPTS | UNDERPANTS |
| UNI | UNINITIALLED |
| UNSUB | NO SUSPECT |
| V (ADJ) | VERY |
| V, VIC, VICT,  | VICTIM |
| V/C | VAGINAL/CERVICAL |
| VAG | VAGINAL |
| VEG | VEGETATIVE |
| VF | VAGINAL FLUID |
| VM | VOICE MAIL |
| VMM | VOICE MAIL MESSAGE |
| VPERK | VICTIM PHYSICAL EVIDENCE RECOVERY KIT |
| — W/, W | WITH – ALSO SEE “CONTAINING” |
| W/IN, W/I | WITHIN |
| WBC | WHITE BLOOD CELLS |
| WE | WHITE ENVELOPE |
| WH | WHITE |
| Wk, W | WEAK |
| WPB | WHITE PAPER BAG |
| WPWR, WPWRAP, WPW | WHITE PAPER WRAP |
| WS | WHOLE SERUM |
| YEL, YELL, YW | YELLOW |
| Y-T | YELLOW-TAN |
| YTT | YELLOW TOP TUBE |
| ZPB, ZLPB, PL ZP BG, PLZLB, PZLB, ZLB, ZL BAG | ZIPLOCK PLASTIC BAG |

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NOTE: The foregoing abbreviations are independent of upper or lower case and may be combined to generate new abbreviations (i.e., VHH = victim head hair, SblD = suspect blood, etc.). Customary scientific abbreviations (O₂, H₂O, etc.) are considered common knowledge and are not included here.

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